

Appln. No. 09/955,857  
Amdt. dated September 12, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of May 12, 2003



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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Yasuteru TAKAHAMA et al.  
Serial No. : 09/955,857  
Filed : September 19, 2001  
For : INVERTED MICROSCOPE  
Art Unit : 2872  
Examiner : M. A. Robinson  
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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

S I R :

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2003, the term for response to which is extended by one month by Petition filed concurrently herewith to September 12, 2003, please amend the present application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 22 of this paper.